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SUBJECT: COVERAGE OF FLORENCE AGREEMENT

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1. FLORENCE AGREEMENT MAY BE FOUND AT PAGE 1625 OF VOLUME 17 OF UNITED STATES TREATIES AND OTHER INTERNATIONAL AGREEMENTS, A SERIES WHICH WE UNDERSTAND IS IN THE EMBASSY LIBRARY. THE AGREEMENT IS NO. 6129 IN THE TAIS SERIES.

2. ARTICLE I OF THE AGREEMENT PROVIDES FOR DUTY-FREE ENTRY FOR ARTICLES LISTED IN ITS ANNEXES, SUBJECT TO THE CONDITIONS THEREIN STATED. IN REGARD TO CERTAIN OF THE ARTICLES, DUTY-FREE ENTRY IS PERMITTED ONLY IF RECIPIENT INSTITUTION IS APPROVED BY THE AUTHORITIES OF THE IMPORTING COUNTRY. EXCEPT FOR THE ARTICLES LISTED IN ANNEX B (IV),
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THERE IS NO REQUIREMENT IN ANY OF THE ANNEXES THAT SUCH INSTITUTIONS BE PUBLIC ONES. IN FACT, CERTAIN PROVISIONS, SUCH AS ANNEX C(III), MENTION "PUBLIC OR PRIVATE" INSTITUTIONS.

2. WHILE A COUNTRY HAS CONSIDERABLE LATITUDE IN APPROVING OR NOT APPROVING INSTITUTIONS FOR DUTY-FREE TREATMENT,

WE QUESTION WHETHER A COUNTRY COULD VALIDLY DENY APPROVAL
TO ALL PRIVATE INSTITUTIONS. THE UNITED STATES ALLOWS
PRIVATE INSTITUTIONS TO IMPORT SUCH ITEMS DUTY-FREE.
A NUMBER OF PRIVATE INSTITUTIONS IN THE U.S. HAVE
IMPORTED SUCH ITEMS, PARTICULARLY ARTICLES FOR SCIENTIFIC
RESEARCH, FROM SWITZERLAND, WITHOUT PAYMENT OF DUTY, AS
A RESULT OF THE AGREEMENT.

3. IF EMBASSY CAN PROVIDE DETAILS AS TO ARTICLES AND
INSTITUTIONS INVOLVED IN THE CASE REPORTED IN REFTTEL,
DEPARTMENT MAY BE ABLE TO GIVE MORE SPECIFIC RESPONSE.
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